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Hearing: 9/11 Assistance to New York City *Part 2: Recovery*

WHO: Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight
Chairman Mike Rogers (R-AL)

WHEN: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 13, 2006

WHERE: 311 Cannon House Office Building

WITNESSES

PANEL I

Hon. Eric Thorson
Inspector General
U.S. Small Business Administration

Ms. Ruth Ritzema
Special Agent in Charge for New York
Office of Inspector General
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Mr. Douglas Small
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Employment and Training Administration
U.S. Department of Labor

Mr. Leroy Frazer
Bureau Chief
Special Prosecutions Bureau
New York County District Attorney's Office

PANEL II

Dr. John Bacheller
Executive Vice President and
Senior Deputy Commissioner
Empire State Development Corporation

Witness To Be Announced
Lower Manhattan Development Corporation

Mr. John Wang
Founder and President
Asian American Business Development Center

Ms. Bettina Damiani
Project Director
Good Jobs New York

BACKGROUND

The Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight will hold the second hearing of its three part series on Thursday at 10am. This hearing will focus on the effectiveness of measures intended to prevent waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement in federally funded programs designed to help Lower Manhattan recover from 9/11. These same measures can be used to prevent fraud in future disaster recovery programs. The hearing will also identify lessons learned in the use of Federal 9/11 recovery funds.

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